

Significant year-to-date expenses reported for Dec. 31 were \$6.1 million for land and water rights, \$695,000 for bond principal, \$1.2 million for bond interest, \$97,811 for the Chilcott Ditch Co., \$444,690 for utilities, \$347,811 for professional fees, \$360,388 for sewer treatment expenses, \$331,025 for repairs and maintenance, and \$82,670 for office expenses. Total expenditures shown are \$11.65 million.

The financial reports, including a complete year-to date list of revenues and expenses for Dec. 31, should be available at the office. The district may also modify the drafted reports.

The audit for 2014 is expected to be completed in June.

Raising a glass to check water quality

Trying to avoid possible taste and odor problems from using lake water in the late summer months, Schwab asked if the district should start using more lake water one month earlier than last year, and switch to well water in late summer. Gillette said Lake Woodmoor rose 1½ feet in December. The district uses lake water for peak demands, occurring in August. Shaffer said if the district is short, it would have to “fire the lake back up.” But to avoid a water taste and odor issue, switching off lake water may help. Using the lake water is considered less expensive than well water for the district.

The district is trying to identify plant species that may cause poor taste and odor. Shaffer said they are looking at a plant commonly known as the coon tail. Gillette said Lake Woodmoor does not have a blue green algae problem, and the district is continuing to perform water quality checks.

April 9 meeting will consider increase of availability of service charge

The board is looking to raise the availability of service charge to \$100 or \$200. Availability of service charges are given to owners of undeveloped lots in the district. Attorney Erin Smith said Woodmoor residents should receive a notice of the meeting by mail.

Gary Potter joins WWSD as new employee

Gillette and Shaffer were glad to announce that Gary Potter was recently hired as a maintenance operator. Gillette said Potter has a degree in geography and a small systems certificate, and prefers working outdoors. Gillette praised Potter’s work at WWSD.

Pikes Peak Regional Water Authority report

Shaffer asked the board if it wants to spend up to \$10,000 to pay for a Pikes Peak Regional Water Authority study on how to transport water from the Black Forest area to the northern end of the county. It is a pre-design study on how regionally the infrastructure can be put in place to transport water, and the costs associated in doing so. Shaffer indicated the plans could include building a reservoir to store water for times of peak use. Town envisioned joining costs with different water authorities, and recommended the board approve paying for the study.

Board passes compliance resolution

The board passed resolution 15-01 to comply with numerous state statutes. Among these statutes, the district is required to post notices of public meetings in three places, file an annual report, hold regular meetings, and file an accurate map of the district with three government agencies: the county assessor, the Division of Local Government, and the county clerk and recorder. Also included is statute 32-1-902(3)(b) requiring directors to disqualify themselves from voting if there is a conflict of interest, or properly disclose such interest. The resolution also compels the board to comply with Colorado Statute 32-1-809 known as the “Transparency Notice.”

Town said the board was going into executive session “for Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402-4(a) for discussion related to the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest and 24-6-402-4(e), negotiations for the Joint Use Agreement and Village Center.”

Board meetings are held at the district office on the second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. The next board meeting is scheduled for Feb. 12. The district office is located at 1845 Woodmoor Dr. Visit woodmoorwater.com or call 488-2525.

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